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1. The Kiev (50°27' N/30°32' E) Penicillin Factory is a former soap factory. * The office rooms are on the first floor of the administration building. The second floor has many rooms, 3x3½x3 meters, none of which have windows or fresh air supply. The lighting system had not been installed. Some of the rooms had inlaid floors. The double walls separating the rooms were insulated by a 5-cm cork layer and three layers of tarred horse blankets. The walls of the other rooms were of tile. The storehouse, where boxes were stored, was a new building without equipment. PWs have not been allowed to enter this building since early in 1949. A second story was added to the former single-story laboratory, previously a soap factory. Tables and laboratory instruments were on the first floor, but the second floor was vacant. The laboratory was not in operation. Electric power for the factory was supplied from outside through an underground cable. The boilerhouse was a new building without equipment. **
2. Eighty PWs were employed as laborers and there were 10 to 15 Soviets, presumably assigned as technical personnel.
3. The plant was bordered by residential buildings on the east and west and separated from the highway by a wooden fence. The only gate was guarded by armed civilian plant militia. ***

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* Comment. For plant location see sketch 1 of Annex.
 ** Comment. For plant layout see sketch 2 of Annex.
 *** Comment. Details on the plant and production were previously submitted.

1 Annex: Penicillin Factory in Kiev.

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Annex

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Legend to Annex

Legend to map sketch

- A Penicillin factory at 136 Zaktseganska ulitsa
- B Zagtseganska street
- C Krasnaya Armiya street
- D Main railroad station (in the vicinity of the power plant)
- E Gasometer
- F Convent
- G Power plant
- H Dynamo stadium
- I PW Camp No 7062/9
- K PW Camp No 7062/21
- L PW Camp

Legend to layout sketch

- 1 Administration building
- 2 Boilerhouse
- 3 Transformer station
- 4 Laboratory
- 5 Storehouse

- A Penicillin factory
- B Zagtseganska street.

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